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HOUSE BILL 172

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-2-101,  
relative to limitation of prosecution.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-2-101, is amended by adding the following as a new appropriately designated subsection:

(\_) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) to the contrary, prosecution for the offense of second degree murder as prohibited by §39-13-210 and prosecution for the offense of aggravated vehicular homicide as prohibited by §39-13-218 shall commence within thirty (30) years from the date the offense occurs.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-2-101, is amended by adding the following as a new appropriately designated subsection:

(\_) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) to the contrary, prosecution for the offense of vehicular homicide as prohibited by §39-13-213 shall commence within sixteen (16) years from the date the offense occurs.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-2-101, is amended by adding the following as a new appropriately designated subsection:

(\_) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) to the contrary, prosecution for the offense of voluntary manslaughter as prohibited by §39-13-211 and prosecution for the offense of reckless homicide as prohibited by §39-13-215 shall commence within eight (8) years from the date the offense occurs.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-2-101, is amended by adding the following as a new appropriately designated subsection:

(\_) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) to the contrary, prosecution for the offense of criminally negligent homicide as prohibited by §39-13-212 shall commence within four (4) years from the date the offense occurs.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001, the public welfare requiring it.